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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8440

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN PRIORITY

S E C R E T RABAT 2297

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, MO, JO, IR

SUBJECT: MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO MOROCCO

REF: TEHRAN 4127

1. WE ARE SOMEWHAT UNCERTAIN ABOUT WHAT KIND OF A MESSAGE WE SHOULD GIVE GOM PER PARA 3 REFTEL, SINCE OUR FILES SUGGEST, THOUGH LESS THAN CONCLUSIVELY, THAT GOM HAS ALREADY PROVIDED QUITE EXPLICIT WRITTEN ASSURANCES TO GOI ON REPLACEMENT OF HOWITZERS.

2. SPECIFICALLY: (A) RABAT 1568 REPORTS MUSLO RECEIVED LETTER FROM GOM STATING THAT GOM WOULD PAY BACK IRANIAN HOWITZERS FROM GOM'S M109A1B HOWITZER BUY UNDER FMS CASE UGC. (B) TEHRAN 3386 REPORTS GOM GAVE GOI A COPY OF A LETTER GOM HAD GIVEN AMERICAN EMBASSY RABAT ON HOWITZER REPLACEMENT. THIS MUST HAVE BEEN SAME LETTER AS REPORTED RABAT 1568, AS THAT IS THE ONLY ONE WE HAVE RECEIVED. (C) TEHRAN 3386 ALSO SUGGESTED THERE HAD BEEN SOME SLIP IN TRANSLATION INDICATING REPAYMENT WOULD BE IN FORM OF 119MM MORTARS INSTEAD OF M109 HOWITZERS (155MM). (D) WE ASSUMED FROM TEHRAN 3352 THAT FOREGOING MISUNDERSTANDING HAD BEEN CLARIFIED TO GOI'S SATISFACTION, SINCE GOI TOLD US IT "PREPARED TO PROCEED WITH THE TRANSFER."

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3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY CLARIFICATION THAT EMBASSY

TEHRAN MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.  
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